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**MEMORANDUM FOR THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL**

**SUBJECT: National Security Council  
Intelligence Directives**

At its third meeting, the National Security Council approved National Security Council Intelligence Directives (NSCID) Nos. 1, 4, 5 and 6, subject to certain amendments. Action on the proposed NSCID Nos. 2 and 3 were deferred, pending reconciliation within the National Military Establishment of the divergent views of the Secretaries of the Navy and the Air Force.

Copies of NSCID Nos. 1, 4, 5 and 6, as approved by the Council, are transmitted herewith for information. By separate memorandum copies of these directives have been transmitted to the Director of Central Intelligence and the members of the Intelligence Advisory Committee for appropriate action.

**SIDNEY W. SOUERS**  
Executive Secretary

**Enclosures:**

NSCID Nos. 1, 4 and 6, Copy No. 19  
NSCID No. 5 not enclosed.

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**MEMORANDUM FOR THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL:**  
(No other distribution due to lack of time and facilities)

**Subject: Army's Non-concurrence Proposed NSCID No. 5**

There is quoted below the memorandum from the Director of Intelligence, GCHQ, who with the exceptions mentioned concurs in the Proposed Directives dated December 9:

1. With one exception the Intelligence Division concurs in the proposed NSC Directives attached to CIA memorandum dated 10 December 1947.

2. The exception referred to is the definition at the end of NSCID No. 5. The Intelligence Division must enter a nonconcurrence to this definition on the grounds that it is self-contradictory and that its insertion changes the original intent of the proposed directive.

3. It is suggested that the difference of opinion be adjusted by making the following changes in proposed NSCID No. 5.

a. Paragraph 1 - Delete the asterisk after the word 'espionage'. Delete the definition at the bottom of the page 'espionage is considered to include both espionage and counterespionage'.

b. Paragraph 2 - change to read:

2. The Director of Central Intelligence shall conduct all organized Federal counterespionage operations outside the United States, its possessions, the Republic of Panama, and areas of military occupation provided that this authority shall not be construed to preclude the counterintelligence activities of any military command or governmental agency necessary for the security of such command or agency.

c. Paragraph 4 - Delete the word 'and' in the 4th line and substitute 'with'."

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The Navy Department (Captain Davis) has telephoned in that the Navy Department concurs in the above non-concurrence received from the Army.

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